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Budapest String Quartet To Give Chamber Recital

Budapest String Quartet now composed of Joseph Roismann, Edgar Ortenburg, Boris Kroyt and Mischa Schneider.

Group Will Appear On Tues., March 11

The Budapest String Quartet, world-renowned interpreter of chamber music, returns again to Middlebury to present a musical program on Tuesday, March 11, in the high school gymnasium. This will be the fourth program in the current Middlebury College concert-lecture series.

The name of this group signifies an organization which has as its background many years of prominence in the annals of European musical life. The quartet, which made its American debut in 1930 at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., is permanently settled today in the United States. In a few short years, this group has gained so much in popularity that it now presents over 100 concerts yearly.

The present members of the ensemble are Josef Roismann, first violin; Edgar Ortenberg, second violin; Boris Kroyt, viola; and Mischa Schneider, violoncello. Before they joined the quartet, each of these artists had acquired a musical background of versatility and richness which could result only from greatly varied experience.

The quartet has travelled as far as Australia, New Zealand, and the East Indies, as well as toured throughout Europe and America. Its repertoire includes all schools and styles of chamber music, each member equally adept at playing Beethoven, Hayden, Mozart, and Schubert. Far from surrendering historical accuracy or sympathetic authority, the String Quartet is able to maintain its universality of selections because its members have completely devoted themselves to the playing of chamber music. Although they have increased the physical radius of their activity, the group members have kept up their tradition of

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Bennington Group Presents Program

This evening seven members of the Bennington College Dance Group presented a modern dance program at the Middlebury College Playhouse.

The program which was composed of individual and group numbers included such offerings as "The Wind at the Door," "The Passionate Pilgrims," "Ladies, Ladies," and two all-company productions, "Siren Song" and "L'Attente." These were prepared with the help and criticism of the Bennington faculty. The seven performers were Patsi Birsh, Barbara Corey, Suzanne Crane, Tish Evans, Diana Gellman, Beth Olsen and Joan Roessle; Miss Roessle being a former Middlebury student. The music was by Jane Marston and arrangements were provided for the group by Hazel Johnson. The dancers composed their own choreography.

This appearance is a part of a tour that the girls are engaging in during their three-months work period away from the college.

Midd Players Will Sponsor Formal Dance

The first big social event of the new term will be the College Players' formal, to be held March 15, 1947, at the high school gym.

The "Footlight Formal" will feature the U.V.M. "Catamounts," and will last from 8 to 12 p.m., with 12.30 p. m. late permissions granted the Women's College. The Players will charge $2.90 per couple, and are expecting about 900 persons to attend. The only information concerning the decorations is the adjective "modernistic." The rest is being withheld until the night of March 15.

The entire dance is under the chairmanship of Morton M. Base '47. Co-chairman of the publicity committee are Nancy E. Breed '48 and Patricia D. Dow '48, with Marjory A. Nelson '47 and Doris A. Palm '48 working on their committee. The decorations committee is under the direction of George T. Merritt '48 and Dorothy H. Weil '49; Mary E. Bloomsburgh '47 and Phyllis E. Howland '47 will act as co-chairmen of the refreshment committee; and the arrangements for programs and tickets are to be made by Doris A. Palm '48.

Term Social Plans Passed By Committee

The Student Life Committee, which consists of President Samuel S. Stratton, Dean Millicent C. Woodward, Dean W. Storrs Lee, Miss Elizabeth W. Baker, Mrs. Edward O'Neill, Frederick D. Williams '47, Roy H. Kinsey '48, Virginia M. Hodder '48, and M. Sue Cooke '48, held a meeting Tuesday, February 25, to approve the following social calendar for this college term:

Mar.
- 1 Mortar Board bridge, 2.00-5.00 p.m.
  Alpha Sigma Phi sleigh ride.
  Delta Upsilon informal dance.
  Sigma Alpha informal dance.
- 2 Art department tea.
- 7 Student Union meeting.
- 8 Sigma Alpha informal dance.
  Alpha Sigma Phi informal dance.
  Theta Chi informal dance.
- 8-9 Culture Conference.
- 11 Budapest String Quartet.
- 15 Players' formal dance.
- 21 Sophomore tea.
- 22 Kappa Delta Rho rodeo.
  Delta Upsilon costume dance.
  Alpha Sigma Phi informal dance.
  Sigma Alpha informal dance.
  Theta Chi informal dance.
  S.A.A. square dance.
- 29 W.A.A. bridge, 2.00-5.00 p.m.
  Mortar Board gym dance.

Apr.
- 3 Interfraternity Council party.
- 19 Theta Chi informal dance.
  Delta Upsilon informal dance.
  Sigma Alpha informal dance.
  Alpha Sigma Phi informal dance.
- 22 Vermont Symphony Concert.
- 24 Junior Class buffet dinner.
- 26 French Club formal.
  Delta Upsilon informal dance.
  Sigma Alpha informal dance.
  Alpha Sigma Phi informal dance.
  Theta Chi informal dance.
- 26-27 New England Student Government Conference.

May
- 2 Variety Show.
- 3 Flying Club, Blue Key dance.
- 3-4 Flying Club Meet.

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Midd Students To Have New Recreation Center

Midd Man Jailed As Underground Leader of Nazis

An Associated Press dispatch from Frankfort, Germany, dated February 24, disclosed the fact that Werner Roepke, former Middlebury exchange student, has been arrested on suspicion of leading a Nazi subversive movement in the American zone of Germany.

Roepke, an exchange student from Berlin University, attended Midd from 1936 to 1937 where he majored in history and political science. He was described by his professors and other students as a well-mannered, quiet man. Upon returning to Germany, Roepke became a captain in Hitler's S.S. troops.

After V-E day Roepke was allowed to re-establish himself in a civilian occupation. He became closely connected with the U. S. occupation forces and up to his arrest was well-known among high-ranking American military men. His post-war job consisted in part of arranging concerts and other recreation for U. S. troops.

Recently disclosed facts on pro-Nazi underground movements produced much evidence against Roepke and at present he is considered one of the ten most dangerous plotters of the thirty arrested in Frankfort.

Bridge To Be Held By Honor Society

A Mortar Board bridge party will be held this Saturday, March 1, in Forest recreation room from 2.00 until 4.30 for the purpose of raising funds for the annual May Day breakfast given for girls who have been on the Dean's List for both semesters.

Tickets are twenty-five cents and everyone is invited to attend. Refreshments will be sold while free cigarettes will be available. Guests will find score cards there but are requested to bring their own cards.

Stratton Notified Surplus Building Can Be Obtained

Large Wooden Structure Will Be Located On Campus

Pres. Samuel S. Stratton of Middlebury College was notified Tuesday by Washington authorities that his application on behalf of Middlebury College for a war surplus building of approximately 11,000 square feet to be used as a Student Union Building has received approval of the Bureau of Community Facilities of the Federal Works Agency under the provisions of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act.

The type building to be allocated to Middlebury College is a well-built wooden structure and was used during the war by the Armed Forces as a Recreation Center. Plans call for its use as a Student Union Building and it will provide facilities so necessary for the successful functioning of the business and social life of the undergradutes and their respective organizations.

As soon as the final details of the arrangement between the College and the Government are completed, plans will be made to move the building at the expense of the Government from its present unknown site to the Middlebury campus where it will be centrally located on the upper campus between Hillcrest and the tennis courts.

W. Storrs Lee Denies Failures Were Arranged

In an interview Tuesday afternoon Dean W. Storrs Lee spiked the rumor which has insisted that a pre-arranged number of students is being dropped from the college because of low grades. Dean Lee said, "The rumor is nonsense!"

The Dean said that every effort is made to be completely fair and that under no circumstances is there a quota of men to be flunked out each semester.

As a result of poor scholastic standing only nine men have been asked to leave this semester. It has been intimated by some students that in its admissions policy the College actually counted on the living quarters of those who flunked out as accommodations for entering students. This is not so, said Dean Lee. "Quarters had been arranged previously for all entering students."

In explaining the actual policy of the college regarding scholastic standing, Dean Lee said, "Actually, a considerable number who would be leaving on the basis of records are being continued on scholastic probation for a long list of reasons including: difficulties in academic adjustment after considerable period in the service, health, serious family problems, recommendation of the Veterans Administration, and recommendations of advisors and professors."

Dean Lee continued, "We have been assisted during the past week by the Veterans Affairs Committee which has met almost daily to weigh decisions on questionable cases." And speaking again of policy, "In general every effort is made to keep men in college if there is evidence that the student has been working to capacity during the semester and if there is promise of improvement."

Those students who are put on probation are those who, in any semester, are

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Perkins, Lightbody, Gay, Muehl, Brooks to Speak At '47 Cultural Conference; Thompson to Mediate

Charles A. Scott, chairman of the Middlebury Culture Conference, has released the names of five of the eight speakers who will participate in the two-day conference, which opens March 8, 1947. The names of the other three speakers will be released in next week's CAMPUS, and a pleasant surprise has been promised. Those speakers announced are:

G. Holmes Perkins, of Harvard University, who is an expert on regional planning and housing.

Dr. Charles Lightbody, retired professor of philosophy and history at St. Lawrence University.

Leon Gay, president of Gay Brothers, Ludlow, Vt., an outstanding Vermont industrialist.

Rev. William Muehl, assistant professor at Yale Divinity School, who has been a chapel speaker here several times, most recently on November 24, 1946.

Dr. Robert R. Brooks, dean of Williams College, an outstanding economist, and an expert in the field of labor relations.

Dr. D. L. Thompson, dean of the faculty of graduate studies and research at McGill University, a participant in last year's conference, will be moderator.

Freshmen at Middlebury, and others who have never before attended a conference session, will find the conference a stimulating discussion of current issues,

Dr. D. L. Thompson, Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research at McGill University.

by speakers who are outstanding in their respective fields. There is time allowed at each session for questioning, which allows for audience participation. Students will get out of the conference only in proportion to what they give, in questioning, interest, and attentiveness.

The complete schedule for the two-day affair is as listed below. The time from the opening of each discussion session until the intermission, which will be of ten minutes duration, will be given over entirely to the guest speakers, who will each present short prepared speeches. The period after intermission, through to the end of the session, will be for questions from the audience.

Saturday, March 8

Discussion session, 9.30 a.m. to 12.15 p.m. Intermission at 11.00.

Discussion session, 1.45 p.m. to 4.15 p.m. Intermission at 3.15.

President's tea, given by President Stratton for speakers and the conference committees, 4.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Banquet, at Middlebury Inn, for speakers, and the conference committees, 7 p.m.

Informal meeting, in Forest Hall recreation room, to which all students are invited, 8.30 p.m.

Sunday, March 9

Concluding discussion session, 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. Intermission at 3.30.

March 8, 1947, is a college holiday, and no classes are scheduled for that day. Students are reminded, however, that, as such, no unexcused absences will be permitted immediately before or after that date.

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Stronghold Of Nationalism

In the February 23 issue of the New York *Herald Tribune*, William K. Zinsser reported the results of the discussions of seventy-five leading international scholars and educators assembled for Princeton University's Tenth Bicentennial Conference, with the express purpose of finding the answer to one question: what responsibilities does the university have in the world today? The conclusions reached by these scholars can be applied to liberal arts colleges as well as to larger universities.

Before any constructive changes could be studied, it was first necessary to concur upon the greatest shortcoming of universities. Those present found no difficulty in agreeing that the great fault of universities is that they are "strongholds of Nationalism." All present felt that entirely too much emphasis is placed on the acquiring of knowledge about the native land, and in our own case, on American Culture, American Literature, and American History. It was agreed that a great many universities show narrow vision and not enough interest in the rest of the world.

The antithesis of this fault is any effort to help students to understand other nations and train them for world citizenship, as well as citizenship in their own country. This is the most pressing responsibility of universities and colleges today: to change from the ways of narrow nationalism to those of broad international citizenship.

How to effect this change is a matter of individual consideration on the part of each college and university, as well as group and sectional consideration. It is hard to say right now that this way or that way is the best. It is mostly a matter of suggestion, and then take your pick. Suggestions offered at the Princeton Conference included: forming a world federation of universities, taking an active part in the work of international agencies, broadening college curricula, to include more studies of world history, and training men to be "international civil servants."

As an example of what can be done along the line of international agencies, Dr. Howard E. Wilson, one of the original founders of the organization, cited the work of the United Nations Education, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (Unesco). This agency has been and will be of the greatest help in reaching a world-wide audience. Its efficiency rests upon the faculties of the universities of the world. So far, however, Dr. Wilson emphasized, there have been few men broadly enough educated to understand the various international forces at play and thus able to aid in the free interchange of knowledge.

Conferences of this kind and more informal discussions of educators indicate that throughout the United States, and including all colleges and universities of the entire world, more emphasis must be placed on studies which give information and understanding of the international scene.

One Antidote

The general theme of the 1947 Culture Conference will be, "The responsibilities of World Harmony." Here is an excellent opportunity for Middlebury students to hear talks and discussions by well informed speakers on an international basis. This is one way by which we can add to our college education more of the kind of knowledge that the educators gathered at Princeton admit is lacking in many universities. Let us hope that the Culture Conference will go so far as to apply the international scene to the local one that we know here at Middlebury. It may even be that the discussion may turn to a question very similar to the one asked at the Princeton Conference.

Students who have attended Culture Conferences in previous years know that the actual course of the discussions is never strictly pre-determined and it is open to change any time up to the final gun. That is one of the reasons why the Conference holds the interest that it does. It is true that the central theme correlates the various speakers, but at the same time allows room for vital digressions that become apparent.

This Culture Conference should hold interest for every student no matter what his own course of study may be. It offers an addition of the one ingredient which we know is deficient in our college education: consideration and thought on the international scene and its application to our future course. The rate of attendance at this year's Culture Conference should be higher than that of any previous year.

Doctor Saunders To Give Sermon At Sunday Chapel

Dr. Wilbour E. Saunders, Sunday chapel speaker.

The vesper service for Sunday, March 2, will feature Wilbour Eddy Saunders, B.A., M.A., D.D., Ed.D., LL.D., and headmaster of Peddie School in Hightstown, N. J.

Dr. Saunders was graduated from Brown University in 1916, and three years later from Union Theological Seminary. He received his theological training at the Choir School of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, simultaneously working for a master of arts degree at Columbia University.

In 1919, Dr. Saunders spent a year of graduate work at Christ College, Cambridge University, England. In religious circles, he has held positions as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Rahway, N. J., chaplain of the New Jersey State Reformatory, general secretary of the Brooklyn Federation of Churches, and special lecturer in Urban Sociology at Colgate-Rochester Divinity school.

Dr. Saunders' initial experience in the educational field was in 1920 when he taught at Horace Mann School in New York. Returning to education again in 1935, he entered his present position as headmaster of the Peddie School in Highstown, N. J., making several innovations such as a new guidance system and an intensified curriculum study.

Dr. Saunders, renowned as a public speaker, has addressed several hundred audiences in the past few years ranging from service clubs and educational conferences to college chapels such as Brown, Duke, Yale and Middlebury.

Star Gazers Hear R. A. Dean Speak

Mr. Richard A. Dean, physics instructor, presented a talk to the Star Gazers at their first meeting held Friday, February 21.

Mr. Dean discussed group interest and participation in the club, and suggested ways in which Star Gazers might make their activities social, as well as astronomical. He mentioned that in order to study the stars, one should have a knowledge of physics, and stated he would be most glad to have any student audit his class in astronomy. Dr. Dean plans to use the telescope in Warner Science

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EXHIBITION OF ART TO OPEN MARCH 2

The Fine Arts Department of Middlebury College has arranged for an exhibition of the works of twenty-one American artists, which will open with a tea in Forest Hall recreation room, Sunday, March 2, 1947, at four in the afternoon, and will continue throughout the month. All students, faculty and public are cordially invited to attend.

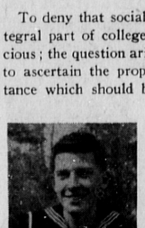
The paintings are being loaned through the courtesy of the Fleming Museum of Burlington, Vt., and several New York galleries. They represent a cross section of American art, from examples of realism and expressionism and abstractionism. Some of the painters whose work will be exhibited are Colburn, Mattson, Flannery, De Martini, Heliker, Evergood, Peirce, Weber, and Carroll.

Opinions of the Week

QUESTION: *There has been a general criticism of the inadequacy of the social activities at Midd. Do you believe this criticism warranted and if so, what, in your opinion, are the underlying faults?*

Fred McGarry, Rutland, Vt. M. I. T. plan.

To deny that social activities are an integral part of college life would be fallacious; the question arises when we attempt to ascertain the proper degree of importance which should be attached to them.



The ability to establish oneself in a group, the art of making friends and of being a friend, the knack of "getting along" with all types of persons: all these are assets of life-long and inestimable value. The social calendar of the college has as its purpose the promotion of events providing essential relaxation, amusement and opportunities for such development. In the realization of these ends I believe Middlebury is fairly successful.

Every student is usually confronted with what may become a difficult choice during his period of study here. Attractive social events often conflict with work of an academic nature. A true struggle between love and duty develops. At such times it is well to recall that the one thing offered by an educational institution and available nowhere else in comparable degrees, is a well correlated and personally guided period of study in a generally conducive atmosphere. The other things mentioned previously can be obtained elsewhere but this is the best place for intellectual growth that most us of will ever inhabit.

It follows then, as I reason, a bit more emphasis should be placed on the *quality* of social activities at Middlebury and a bit less on the quantity. In other words, fewer diversions, but each of more worth would constitute a definite improvement of social policy.

Do Palm, Mt. Vernon, N. Y. Pol. Sci. major.

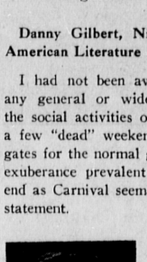
If you sit home on Saturday nights, then give your talents and initiative some super-charging and hitch yourself to the bandwagon slogan, that the social fundamental of Midd is "invent your own good time." Fraternities have exhausted themselves with novel ideas for house dances, and other campus organizations have contributed to all of our social calendars, so if you want an answer to the demand for a carnival every weekend, or a transformation of Main Street into a Broadway, look to yourself.

As for me, the text-tired coed, Saturday night spells "big time," but only if I can provide an occasional answer to the oft repeated "what to do?" Wishing on stars won't diminish rec room populations nor will an extra dash of his favorite perfume reorganize the "end of the month" fiscal policy. "Vermont is where you find it," the books say, so how about a chapel ski date, a toboggan party on the golf course, or let's get a vic and be "gay blades" on the rink tonite?

Conditions so far don't permit a lodge or cocktails in Gifford Hall, but for me as for Vermont, "fun is where you find it." If your date book is as full of exclamation marks as mine, I doubt if you've been missing much.

Danny Gilbert, Niagara Falls, N. Y. American Literature major.

I had not been aware that there was any general or widespread criticism of the social activities on campus. Possibly a few "dead" weekends have opened the gates for the normal griping, but the high exuberance prevalent after such a weekend as Carnival seems to discredit such a statement.



If there has been criticism, I believe that it is unwarranted. In the return to a pre-war type social schedule there have been minor difficulties such as too much scheduled on one weekend, and nothing on the following, also the pricing of a dance above one dollar along toward the end of the month when the financial outlook of the majority of the men's college is rather bleak. But the return of the fraternities and their social activities, the Thursday night Inn dances, the advent of the Gifford Libe Open Houses, "Foo" Mathews' jam sessions in Gifford Libe the very successful Soph Stardust, the Christmas parties and, of course, the complete Carnival weekend, do not indicate to me any particular low level of campus social activities.

Although I think that more can be included such as the return of the square dances, the Sunday night suppers and skating parties, the activities thus far this year have been far from inadequate.

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Calendar

Thursday, February 27
7.00 p.m. Choir
8.00 p.m. Bennington Dance Group, at Playhouse
7.30-9.00 Phi Mu first party

Friday, February 28
4.30 p.m. CAMPUS Editorial Staff Meeting, Munroe
7.30-9.00 Kappa Delta first party

Saturday, March 1
7.00-11.00 Alpha Sigma Phi Informal
1.15 p.m. Junior Class Meeting in Hepburn Rec.
2.00-5.00 Mortar Board Bridge Party in Forest Rec

Sunday, March 2
3.00-6.00 Art Department Tea, Forest Rec

Tuesday, March 4
4.30 p.m. Choir
8.00 p.m. Players' Entertainment, Playhouse
7.30-9.00 p.m. Pi Beta Phi first party

Wednesday, March 5
7.30-9.00 p.m. Sigma Kappa first party

Thursday, March 6
7.00 p.m. Choir
8.15-9.45 Delta Delta Delta first party

NOTICES

The library staff has announced the following hours for the weekend of culture conference:

Saturday, March 8—Closed.
Sunday, March 9—Afternoon, closed
Evening, open 7.00 to 10.00.

The Women's Clubs of Middlebury are knitting afghans for the Veterans at the Hospital in White River Junction. Your left-over yarns any color or weight will be greatly appreciated. Please help us in this project. You may leave yarns at the Treasurer's Office.

The Sunday chapel calendar for second semester has been released by Dr. Freeman as follows:

Feb.
16 Freshmen and sophomores.
23 Juniors and seniors.
Mar.
2 Freshmen and sophomores.
9 Juniors and seniors.
16 Freshmen and sophomores.
23 Juniors and seniors.
30 Easter concert, choir, open to all.
Apr.
20 Freshmen and sophomores.
27 Juniors and seniors.
May
4 Freshmen and sophomores.
11 Juniors and seniors.
18 Freshmen and sophomores.
25 Concert, Bach, open to all.
June
1 Juniors and seniors.

Jazz Lecture To Be Given By E. Adams

Sunday night, March 2, at 7.30, Edward E. Adams '47, Middlebury's exponent of Hot Jazz, will give the first of a series of lectures on Jazz, its history, meaning and implications.

Mrs. Edward O'Neill, social director of the men's college, wishes to point out that these lectures are not restricted to the men's college and their dates. Anyone may attend with or without dates. It is her wish that members of the women's college attend on their own.

Mrs. O'Neill pointed out the fact that Mr. Adams has long been a jazz enthusiast and has a wide acquaintance in the jazz world, including some of the greatest figures in the field today. This personal contact with these musicians has acquainted him with many stories and anecdotes of the jazz world which he uses to color and explain the feeling and world of jazz. The lectures will be illustrated from Mr. Adams' valuable collection of the best jazz records.

He will use his collection to explain the beginnings of modern popular music, why it is different from the waltzes and other classical European forms, as opposed to the distinctly original American form which is jazz.

To quote a few phrases from Mr. Adams: "Is it not amazing that in a musically well-informed country such as ours, there is little real understanding of this music?....With a great desire to promote greater popular understanding and to make more available the exciting fun that is this music, a new series of highly informal lectures have been arranged. These lectures are open to all, the initiated and the neophyte. To the latter we extend a more than hearty welcome. It is for you these lectures have been planned. A great many of the greatest jazz records ever recorded will be presented, including many rare collector's items.

"The first lecture will be a study of the birth and the growth of the 'Blues' ...."

Women Discuss Variety Of Issues In New Assembly

Newly elected representatives to Women's Assembly met Sunday evening, February 23, for the first meeting of this semester. Included in the discussions were plans for some sort of social affair to be sponsored by Student Union and March 7 was considered as a possible date.

Also discussed was the Student Union Conference which is scheduled for April 5. Student Union officers from seven colleges will act as representatives on panel groups which will deal with current problems which confront the college campus.

The idea of erecting a pre-fabricated structure to be used as a recreational center for the students was also considered. Such an idea would have to be presented to the Student Life Committee for consideration.

Breadloaf School To Offer Famous Lecturers For '47

Professor Reginald L. Cook, Director of the Breadloaf School of English, announced this week the faculty for the 1947 session of the school.

Two Middlebury College faculty members are among the ten prominent educators who will comprise the faculty of the Breadloaf School for this summer. They are Professor Cook, director of the school and professor of American literature at Middlebury College, and Erie Volkert, assistant professor of drama at Middlebury College.

Besides the regular faculty of the school five special lecturers will assist in the teaching. Among these lecturers probably the best known is Robert Frost, the poet and naturalist. Also engaged as special lecturers are Esther Cloudman Dunn, Dorothy Canfield Fisher, Erwin Panofsky and Mark Van Doren.

The faculty who will teach the sixteen courses offered are as follows: George K. Anderson, Ph.D., professor of English, Brown University; Warren Beck, M.A., professor of English, Lawrence College; Reuben A. Brower, Ph.D., associate professor of Greek and English, Amherst College; Donald Davidson, M.A., professor of English, Vanderbilt University; Elizabeth Drew, B.A. (Oxon.), lecturer in English, Smith College; Lou La Brant, Ph.D., professor of education, New York University; Lucia Mirrielees, Ph.D., professor of English, Montana State University; and Odell Shepard, Ph.D., Litt.D., author, *Pedlar's Progress, The Life of Bronson Alcott.*

Midd Debating Teams to Go To Burlington

Middlebury will send two debating teams to Burlington on Friday and Saturday, February 28 and March 1 to debate with six other colleges and universities in the U.V.M. Debating Tournament on the subject: "Resolved, that labor should have a direct share in the management of industry."

George C. Newcomb '48 and Debora E. Nye '50 will debate the affirmative, while Roswell T. Edwards '49 and Dorita P. Clofine '50 will uphold the negative side for Middlebury in this tournament. Each team will have the opportunity to debate five times during the two day contest.

Philip G. Hull '49 and Margaret D. Armstrong '47 will speak for Middlebury on Tuesday, March 4, in another of the series of radio debates broadcast over station WJOY in Burlington. The negative side of the proposition: "Resolved, that world federation should replace the United Nations," is to be debated by Middlebury.

Robert Rafuse Gives Lectures On Democracy

"The true democrat, as the true Christian, believes there is no value more important than the value of man," said Dr. Robert W. Rafuse, Assistant Professore of Political Science, in his lecture, "Democratic Imperatives," which he gave to the student body on Tuesday evening, February 24.

Emphasizing the necessity for a re-examination and a re-dedication to the basic principles upon which democracy is founded, Professor Rafuse went on to say that, "The mark of the true democrat is his unqualified insistence upon putting man first in the hierarchy of value—his insistence that man must be served by his institutions, not his institutions by man."

In defining democracy as an ideal, Professor Rafuse upheld its humanistic concepts, firstly and secondly, the fact that "no attempt has been made to describe democracy as an institutional organization." He maintained that, "to start by creating institutions, and only then fitting men into them, leads almost inevitably to putting institutions first and man a poor second. This is the error into which, in varying degrees, all the familiar issues have fallen....If our minds are to be free to serve man, they must not be bound to man's institutions."

In speaking of the United States Government he said, "The present, for us, is a capitalistic society and while it is terribly important that we do not become so committed to it that we cannot see its faults, it is just as important that we do not become so alienated that we cannot see its virtues."

"Government 'for the people' can never be, for long, at any rate, unless it is also 'of the people' and 'by the people,'" said Professor Rafuse. "This is an imperative....a belief that man's interest will best be served if he serves himself; a belief that all men will share in the Good Society only if all men share in its creation."

Professor Rafuse dealt with the question of the power of the people. "Power in a democracy is diffused in residence, but must be focused at one point in use....The people are not aware of the

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L. B. Leighton Discusses Communism As Political Term, Not Radical Labor

Lawrence B. Leighton

In the distant past when I was trying to get an education instead of vainly waiting, as now, for a younger generation to educate me, I was named by my classmates at some function or other "Class Bolshevik" and given a red flag. I forget what provocation I might have given; as far as I can remember, I was opposed to daily chapel and alumni control of college athletics, and I had doubts about the political wisdom of Calvin Coolidge, opinions which twenty years have merely confirmed. The red flag has disappeared with the rest of college souvenirs and mementos (including lecture notes) and the title, if ever anyone remembers it, merely brings smiles of condescension from those of my friends who have long since abandoned me as a hopeless bogged-down centrist.

There would be little point in exhuming this piece of personal trivia except that I was reminded of it a few weeks ago when I heard the appellation "red" directed at a student who was merely defending a harmless brand of rather old-fashioned socialism. And in a larger arena Senator McKellar has been trying to throw mud on Mr. Lilienthal; another senator, who should know better, has implied that anyone who has been even called a communist is unworthy of public trust.

This is all nonsense, but there is always danger that the innocent may be beguiled and it is the bounden duty of a faculty member to protect the innocent students in his charge. (At times I feel as if I were responsible for the biggest protective agency since the Capone rackets.) There was justification for such innocence and ignorance twenty-odd years ago. Very little was known about Russia then and perhaps cartoonists had some excuse for their stock figure of the unkempt creature with an untidy beard and a sputtering bomb. But things have changed. Russia is the most written about country on earth. The average American has heard more, read more and, in spite of the ignorance a recent Gallup poll shows, probably knows more about Russia than he does about Brazil or even Mexico. And there is little excuse for any educated person who cannot give a reasonable definition of communism.

Why then the recrudescence of a label that nine times out of ten has no application to its object? Is it possibly because the same two weaknesses that marked the spirit of the early twenties are recurrent, the desire for normalcy and a basic insecurity? That is hard to believe, but it may be so. I have not as yet discerned any striking difference between the veterans of this war and those of the last. More awareness that a world exists outside America, yes, a more serious feeling of lost time, perhaps a greater cynicism. But patterns of college behavior remain the same (I grant that it may be too soon to speak) and although overt isolationism is unfashionable, there is indifference about implementing its antithesis. There is an underlying feeling of insecurity and a contradictory conviction that things will be all right if nobody changes anything. These may be the reasons why the shepherd boys keep calling "wolf."

Women's College Elects Assembly Representatives

Elections were held in all women's dorms this week, and the following women were elected to the Women's Assembly for the spring term:

Battell: president, Lura L. Williams '49; representative, Isabel A. Myers '48. Chateau: president, Joan L. Biggs '48; representatives, Selma J. Weiss '48, Mary C. Seacord '49, Betty Cappers '50. Forest East: president, Carolyn W. Leach '47; representatives, Phyllis E. Howland '47, Muriel E. Mack '47, Sarah McCullough '47, Anne E. Meyer '50, Virginia C. Worley '50. Forest West: president, Ruth Ann Brittain '47; representatives, Alice L. Ashley '47, Phyllis M. Burke '47, Eunice A. Goodfellow '47, Elizabeth T. Hornaday '47, Adrienne C. Northam '47.

Hepburn: president, Sally A. Finley '48; representatives, Nancy M. Cheeseman '48, Mary J. Hicks '48, Helen L. Hicks '48, Judith R. Little '48, Doris A. Palm '48, Jean C. Webster '48, Jane D. Baker '49, Jean D. Holmberg '49, June E. Yeakel '49, Joan K. Delamater '50, Margaret M. Fohring '50, Joan L. Metzger 50. Hillside: president, Jean G. Blanchard '50. Homestead: president, Joan T. L'Episcopo '48.

Painter: president, Alice V. Deininger '48; representatives, Virginia E. Ciuffreda '48, Margaret M. Davies '48, Eleanor M. Flanagan '48, Helen Hawkes '49, Marilyn J. Mulholland '49, Janet C. Smith '49. Pearsons: president, Ann M. Walthall '48; representatives, Glora C. Pilini '48, Elaine W. Arrington '49, Virginia W. Duffy '49, Mary C. Fisher '49, Barbara T. Myers '49, Brenda A. Bullock '50. Town: Doris K. Beers '49. Wright House: Irmgard Nierhaus '48.

Dean Lee Praises Fraternities' Ideas In Banquet Speech

W. Storrs Lee, dean of men, paid tribute to Middlebury fraternities in a brief speech at the initiation banquet of Theta Chi fraternity last Sunday at the Middlebury Inn. The dean explained that the intelligent reorganization of fraternities had done much to solve college social, academic and physical problems.

"The Administration has been accused of being both pro-fraternity and anti-fraternity," he said. "Actually we are in favor of the worthwhile features of fraternities and against some of the less favorable features. Fraternities can be improved, and they are being improved. My contention is that Middlebury fraternities are not undemocratic. All types of men are found in every house. If fraternities were dissolved, new organizations would spring up based on far less democratic ideals. The liberals might band together in one group, the athletes in another, the scholars in another. It is better to have all types exchanging points of view within one house."

Dean Lee congratulated the fraternities on the way they had solved problems that seemed insuperable a year ago. Many had to obtain new furniture, new kitchen equipment and to redecorate houses. The worst problem was assimilating fraternity brothers of many classes, some of whom did not even know each other.

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Panther Icemen Deliver 9-5 Drubbing To Cadet Sextet In High Scoring Tilt

Middmen Avenge Earlier Setback

The Middlebury hockey sextet successfully closed out their season last Saturday at Northfield by downing Norwich, 9-5. The Blue Shirts were reaping revenge for the defeat they suffered at the hands of the Horsemen earlier that week. The game was part of the gala Norwich Carnival which included polo, basketball, skiing, and hockey, and the fans that braved the cold and intermittent snow storms to watch the game were rewarded with some well-played hockey.

The game was not as rough as the previous meeting of the two clubs, but just as fast and furious. It took but 18 seconds for the game's first goal to be scored as Norwich caught fire on the opening face-off. Sterl Melendy, who had a field day scoring four goals, took a rebound in front of the cage and blasted it past Roge Casavant.

Kyle Prescott took things in his own hands at 3:55 and outskated the two bewildered Norwich defensemen soloing in on goalie Switzer for the score.

This was the green signal for Midd and approximately two minutes later Billy McNamara took the puck in behind the cage, skated around it and passed it out front to Jim Marchese who did the honors and pushed it into the twines. It was beautifully manipulated with clever stick work by Bullet Bill, and for "Gentlemen Jim" it was the first of five goals that were to follow.

The Middmen now had a one goal lead, but it was short-lived for Norwich quickly countered with a slight interval of 18 seconds. Once again it was a rebound being slammed home. Lyman Whitney took teammate Jim Wharton's rebound and lit the scorer's lamp.

Marchese Scores a Second Time

The scoring twins, McNamara and Marchese, also duplicated their previous thrust with Corbisiero passing in behind the cage to Mac, who, in turn, fed out to the waiting Marchese. Jim drove it through Switzer at 9:32 putting Midd ahead and ending the scoring for the period.

The second period saw seven talliers marked up and was as free and fierce as the wind blowing across the rink. Jim Marchese widened the margin to two, when he and Billy Mac teamed up for the third time. Billy skated in and around the cage, out-fakng and out-maneuvering Switzer and then passed over to Jim, who flipped it over the prostrate form of the goalie. This was, perhaps the essence of perfection in scoring.

With a two-goal margin, Midd was all set, but Messrs. Melendy and Company didn't figure it that way, and after two minutes and 17 seconds had elapsed Sam Adams and Melendy teamed up on a power play to counter.

Not one minute had gone by before Melendy had registered another, tying the score at four goals apiece. This time Whitney drew an assist as Melendy broke through to beat Casavant.

However, the score didn't remain tied for long. With a loose puck in sight along the boards, Prescott and Corbisiero broke along with Lamson of Norwich. Prescott won the race, slid the disk to Corbisiero, and Johnny all alone, skated wearily in on Switzer, easily beating him.

Midd Holds Lead

The Blue Shirts protected this lead for some ten minutes, but began to tire and show the loss of Bill McNamara, who contracted a charley horse in a scuffle along the boards and was unable to continue in the second period after his second time out.

At 18:24 Norwich continued its policy of scoring late in the period when Sterl Melendy whacked in his fourth goal on a pass from his running mate, Lyman Whitney. This brought the tie back and made it 5-5.

Not to be outdone, Marchese battered his way through the defense, faked Switzer into an upright position and blinded him with an angle shot that found the corner.

From here on in Midd was not to be headed, and with only 40 seconds remaining, Dave Thompson added the "Lucky Seventh" for insurance. He took Painter's pass almost in the crease and battered away, finally scoring on his second rebound, hitting Switzer with everything but the ring posts.

The third period was slower than the first two and saw Midd's second line play beautiful defensive hockey holding Norwich at bay. The Blue Shirts picked up two more, one by Corbisiero and Marchese's fifth all along in the period to give a grand total of nine to Norwich's five.

Few Penalties Made

The game was remarkably spotless with only two penalties being called and both of these in the last two minutes of playing time.

Jim Marchese was the individual scoring star of the day as he, along with his five goals, picked up an assist giving him six points to add to his scoring total. However, he did not overtake McNamara for individual scoring honors.

With Ox Wilson still out injured, and two more boys ineligible, the abbreviated Midd squad numbers only eight. They and Coach Nelson deserve a lot of credit for winning against clubs which completely outnumbered them in strength, but not in ability.

Chub Simone, Norwich coach and star wingman, will do all his coaching from the sidelines from now on. He aggravated an old shoulder injury in the first Midd game and is now wearing a sling for support.

Individual Penalties

	Games	No.	Min.
1. McNamara	10	12	31
2. Marchese	9	10	20
3. Wilson	7	5	10
4. Prescott	10	9	18
5. Thompson	10	4	8
6. Corbisiero	10	3	6
7. Moore	6	2	4
8. Whittinghill	10	2	4
9. Manchester	2	1	2
Totals	10	48	102

Left to right front row—Robert Bennitt, Ken Moore, Kyle Prescott, Bill McNamara Jim Marchese, Rog Casavant; second row, Coach Walter Nelson, Frank Nash, manager Ev Painter, Dex Whittinghill, Dave Thompson, Bob Wilson, John Corbisiero, Bob Shahan, manager and V. M. Pitre, trainer.

UVM Ties Panther Hockey Team In Hard Fought Overtime Struggle

Bitter disagreement over officiating marked the second game in the Middlebury-UVM home and home hockey series. A fast-skating and hard-fighting, frustrated Panther sextet ran up against a changed Catamount squad. The shining defensive star of the game, Vermont goalie Piche, set up a strong shield before the net to hold mentor Duke Nelson's highly touted outfit to a 3-3 tie on the Burlington ice last Wednesday, February 19.

With the score tied at two goals apiece in the last period, Pantherman Dave Thompson lifted the puck into goalie Piche, but the referee tooted his whistle nullifying the play which saw Piche drop the black disc into the net for what would have been a Panther tally. By halting play, the referee sent the game into an indecisive ten minute overtime period in which both teams scored once, Middlebury on a solo dash by Billy McNamara, and UVM on LaReau's disputed shot. Middlebury hotly claimed that LaReau's shot had not crossed the goal line. However, the referee and goal judge awarded a goal to the Vermont team. This decision gave Don Maynard's stickmen the point they needed to tie up the game.

Midd Takes Early Lead

Middlebury took an early first-period lead when Kenny Moore slipped a shot past Piche on assists by Thompson and Painter. The Panthers doubled the score in the second period on McNamara's fast slider into the net with an assist by Johnny Corbisiero.

Vermont's first point came in the third period on center Switzer's fast-breaking run down the center of the ice with the Middlebury defenses sucked forward of the blue line. Well-padded goalie, Casavant, was powerless to drop or deflect the low-flying and perfectly placed shot from the left. The Catamounts picked a tying tally from the stick of McGarey while Jimmy Marchese sat out a two-minute penalty. A whistle at center-ice nullified McNamara's shot from a pass by Corbisiero.

In the opening minutes of play, the Middlebury club showed some of the fire it has shown in the past, but with only four men on the bench, the starting six and reserves soon tired themselves in an attempt to match Maynard's replacements. The forward line of McNamara, Prescott, and Marchese kept the puck in Vermont territory a majority of the time. The tie score resulted, not from the teams being balanced in playing potential, but rather in the breaks of the game. The loss of Ox Wilson due to an injury sustained in the Champlain tilt severely curtailed the Middlebury offensive which netted ten goals against the Green and Gold in the first meeting. UVM goalie Piche, a new addition to the Vermont squad, proved his value by cutting down many potential Blue and White markers.

The line-up:

Middlebury (3)	*Vermont* (3)
Casavant, R., g.	Piche, A., g.
Marchese, J., lw.	Ferriter, R., lw.
McNamara, W., c.	Perreault, A., c.
Corbisiero, J., rw.	Switzer, K., rw.
Prescott, K., ld.	Micklar, M., ld.
Thompson, D., rd.	Dempsey, W., rd.

Spares—Middlebury: K. Moore, Painter, Truesdale, Whittinghill. Vermont: McGarey, Vosburgh, Weess, Parker, LaReau, Warner, Adams.

STAR GAZERS

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sometime in the near future to give high school students a good look at the stars.

Shirley A. Tisdale '48, was elected vice-president at this meeting. Much of the membership and active participation in the Star Gazers comes from the freshmen, and from those ex-servicemen who have learned about and become interested in the stars through their training in the armed forces. Unfortunately, the club has been unable to use the observatory in the athletic field near the Chateau.

Middlebury Icemen Terminate Season With 7-2-1 Showing

The 1947 Middlebury hockey team terminated their season at Norwich on Saturday and it was a marked success, despite an abbreviated squad and numerous injuries. Their overall record stands at 7 won, 2 lost, and 1 tied. The two losses incurred were at the hands of Hamilton and Norwich. The loss to Norwich was unexpected and can definitely be called an upset as the blue-jerseyed skaters easily defeated the Horsemen, 9-5, later that same week. The Hamilton club, with their indoor rink and more practiced skaters, however, clearly vanquished the Middmen, 8-2. Although the game was not as one-sided as the score indicates, it wasn't until the third period that the Hill-toppers began to pull away.

After this setback Midd got back on the winning side copping four in a row. They downed Williams, Vermont, and conquered Champlain twice before they were upset by Norwich. Then they rounded out the season by tying Vermont and trouncing Norwich.

As it now stands they are in the lead for the state championship with nine points via four wins and a tie. Norwich, the only other contender, has six points with wins over Midd, U.V.M., and St. Mike's, with two games left to play with both U.V.M. and St. Mike's. Should they take both of these games they will nose Midd out by one point 10-9. It is unlikely that they will get both games in before the winter is over, but they will be strong favorites to win both contests if they are played.

McNamara High Scorer

The individual scoring honors for the season figured and compiled show that Bill McNamara is "King of Hockey." Bill finished the season with 27 points on 9 goals and 18 assists. He nosed out wingmate Jim Marchese by a mere three points. Jim can find some solace, though, in the fact that he was the leading "swisher," denting the twines 13 times, although he missed the first game of the season. Next in line was Captain Kyle Prescott who was the second highest scorer in goals, one behind Marchese with 12. Captain Kyle had 9 assists to make up his 21-point total. These three boys were the only members to hit the "charmed circle" of 20 and after them Corbisiero and Thompson round out the boys in the double figures. Ox Wilson had nine points on eight goals and surely would have had a fat average had he not been injured with three games to go.

In the penalty department, McNamara, by virtue of spending 31 minutes in the penalty box, was far in advance of the next worst offender. Jim Marchese again was runner-up with 20 minutes of idle time on his crime record.

HOCKEY SCORING SUMMARY

	Pos.	Gls.	Asst.	Pts.
1. McNamara	center	9	18	27
2. Marchese	defense	13	11	24
3. Prescott	wing	12	9	21
4. Corbisiero	defense	10	4	14
5. Thompson	center	3	7	10
6. Wilson	wing	8	1	9
7. Butterfield	wing	4	0	4
8. Whittinghill	wing	1	2	3
9. Painter	wing	0	2	2
10. Bennitt	wing	0	1	1
11. Moore	wing	1	0	1
Totals		61	55	116

	Games	Goals	Pen. (in min.)
Middlebury	10	61	102
Opponents	10	32	68

Scores:

	Oppnts.	Midd.
St. Michael's	2	5
St. Michael's	2	8
Hamilton	8	2
Williams	3	4
U. V. M.	1	10
Champlain	2	9
Champlain	1	7
Norwich	5	4
U. V. M.	3	3
Norwich	5	9
Totals	32	61

The Intramural Trophy

Art Buettner

Last weekend's perfidious weather completely squelched intramural board track practices, while other league and varsity activities were reduced to a minimum, and those confined to the immediate limits of the McCullough dungeon (where the gang is wont to get out the cribbage boards for lack of anything better to do when the Vermont snows curtail the sports program).

The Theta Chi-Neutral and Sigma Alpha-Alpha Slug basketball games, originally scheduled for Friday night, were set back to a date not yet announced because of a conflict with the varsity hockey tilt with Tufts, a game which never came off due to poor rink conditions. At present the basketball round robin is far behind the original plan for game play-offs, which, lost through crowded gym conditions and other conflicts, are being made up as rapidly as possible.

On Wednesday evening, February 19, two basketball games were played as scheduled. In the first, Theta Chi overcame "Doctor" Tom Johnson's early seven-nothing margin to score a 40-33 victory at the expense of the Sigma Alphas. Johnson scored well over half of his team's points on nine baskets and a free throw; his nearest competitor for top honors was short-haired, pint-size Dick Price who paced the T. C. quintette with fourteen points accumulated from the foul line and the floor.

In the second game Wednesday, Sig Epman Gid LaCroix led his club to a one point win over the rejuvenated Neutral five. Gene Miller, the Neutral mainspring, had an off night, and the Sig Ep courtsters took the contest, 26-25. Five shots from the floor and four foul tosses netted LaCroix fourteen points to place him on the list of top-scoring, intramural basketball aces.

Seen from the window of Coach Red Kelly's office last Saturday morning, the board track was a resolate, snow-topped oval, the only visible parts of which were the twin, opposing, steeply-banked turns. At a time when practice would have helped any of the nine league teams and the early varsity trainees, the snow-bound boards were inaccessible.

Implicit in a winning relay team are proper baton passing, preliminary warm-ups and the runners accustoming themselves to the tricky, narrow turns, which every year take their toll among the inexperienced and experienced alike. A good team will make the four circuits in about 1:04.

The men who pound the boards are usually equipped with short, one-eighth inch spikes which are interchangeable with the longer and more common spikes used on the cinders. The advantage of spikes over flats in board track cannot be overemphasized. The 1942 UVM track team, running in sneakers and cross-country flats, received a sound drubbing by the spiked-Panthers on the McCullough boards; although the Vermonters had somewhat of an advantage in the person of the late sprint-man Bert Mott. To run without spikes when the track is either icy or wet promotes a dangerous situation, for without spikes the runner is never certain that his feet will stay where he puts them.

At this writing Tom Cruess and Marty Wittlin started to battle it out for first place in the individual handball eliminations, but had to call a halt after four games with the wins evenly divided due to Cruess coming up with a charley horse. The loser of this match gains the number two position. Johnny Rumbold is firmly installed in third place, having beaten Pete McKee three games out of five. McKee showed his power in the first two games, which he won 21-8 and 21-11. Rumbold turned the tide in the third game and followed by coming on to take the fourth and fifth.

The league, team handball schedule has been circulated and posted with the number one, two and three men in each team matched against those of the other teams. Again to save time, the team handball race is an elimination, and two out of three wins advances a team to the next higher bracket. In the first of the series the KDR "Ranchers" eliminated Theta Chi when they won the number two and number three matches.

Rambling With Rumbold

The captain of this year's and next year's hockey teams was elected Monday and the honor went to Kyle Prescott, the stellar defenseman of the Middlebury hockey team. Kyle well deserved this honor for his outstanding performance and team play throughout the season.

Kyle's home is in the land of skaters, Montreal, where like many youngsters there he started handling his first stick on the ice at the ripe age of five. Later on the Westmount high school team, Kyle played along side of Johnny Peirson of the Boston Bruins.

During the 1944-45 season, Marty Beery, formerly on the Detroit Red Wings, won the Provincial championship with a team, made up of boys 19 years old and under. Kyle was one of the top performers on this team along with Howie Morenz, Jr., son of the illustrious hall of fame hockey star of the Montreal Canadians of yesteryear. In this Provincial hockey organization there are over 9,000 players participating on teams that start at the bantam size on up. This would compare somewhat to our sandlot baseball leagues in the various states, only on a larger and more complete scale.

Last season Kyle was a member of the Canadians of the Junior Canadian League, made up of players under twenty-one. This team won the Eastern Canadian League junior hockey championship. From this league most of the top players graduate into the professional ranks. Kyle had the honor of being placed on the negotiation list of the Boston Bruins after his '45-'46 season with the Junior Canadians. After talking it over with his father, Kyle elected a college education instead of the professional game.

In talking over the prospects of next year's Midd team, Kyle expressed high hopes of inducing a few of his fellow Canadian hockey players into coming to the "little college in Vermont," which would go a long way in rounding out this season's successful squad.

I. S. U. Meet at McGill

Don Henderson really came to the front in skiing competition last week when he won top honors in our neighboring state of New Hampshire's Lebanon Outing Meet and previously in the Dartmouth Carnival. These meets left little doubt that Don is Olympic material and just about the top skier in the East. This week-end again pits Don against the renowned Ralph Townsend of New Hampshire in the Intercollegiate Ski Union Meet at McGill University Winter Carnival at St. Margarets, Canada. The I. S. U. meet is the biggest ski meet of the year and the winner is the mythical intercollegiate champion of North America. Midd's ten-man team will be all out for victory this week, with New Hampshire and the host McGill likely to be their stiffest competition. Dartmouth will be minus their two stars Puchner, who will be competing out West, and McLean, who is on his way to Norway to do some competitive skiing.

Vermont Hockey Championship

Last week ended the hockey season for the Middlebury pucksters, but as yet the Vermont state champion has not been designated. Middlebury, with 8 points for their four wins and 1 for their tie game, leads at the moment with 9 points. If Norwich plays and wins their two games, one each with St. Michael's and Vermont, they will take the championship with 10 points. This will be one time Midd rooters will be cheering U. V. M. on to a victory, or hoping that the weather will interrupt the schedule and cause postponement of the games. Either result will bring another Vermont championship to Middlebury along with their football and cross-county state victories.

Baseball Season Approaches

The season of sore arms and charley horses is fast approaching as newspapers start headlining stories about the little white sphere taking off on irregular flights and the mighty willow stick as it goes swishing through the air to make contact. Though the season hasn't reached the outdoor stage here as yet, the kinks are being worked out of arms and hands are again getting accustomed to the feel of the stitched leather ball. Official practice hasn't been called yet, but the thump of the ball in the catcher's mit can already be heard at the gym. Spring may not be in the air, but as the smoke ascends above the pipes there are dreams of green grass and clay courts.

Strong Norwich Cagers Will Meet Panthers in Home and Home Series

The 1946-47 basketball season enters the home stretch with the opening of a home and home series with the Norwich cadets. The Panthers begin the series Tuesday, March 4, by playing host to the Horsemen on the local high school court. The following Saturday, Coach Ciccolella's men invade Northfield to wind up the season by engaging their ancient intra-state rivals. This tussel will be played on the huge Norwich armory court.

The Cadets' early season record is not unlike the badly blemished Midd slate. However, in their recent encounters, the boys from the military academy have shown amazing improvement. Although decisively trounced by the high-flying Vermont Catamounts, the Cadets have come through with victories over Champlain, Plattsburg Teachers, Massachusetts State, and St. Michael's. In Midd's two outings with St. Mike's they tasted defeat at their hands. Furthermore, in a contest played at Potsdam, N. Y., Norwich was nosed out 55-48 in the last minutes of play by a powerful Clarkson five which had previously not only run roughshod over the hapless Middmen, but had administered a stinging defeat to the highly-touted UVM Cats.

The Cadets boast a well balanced team whose strong point is speed. Their biggest weak spot up to date has been their tendency to allow their opponents to grab an early lead which their second-half rallies haven't always been able to overcome. The sharpshooting of Rudy Colo and Jack Daley form the backbone of the Norwich attack. Daley is particularly effective from long range while Colo sinks most of his shots closer up. "Bones" Lafayette and Danney McLean have proven skillful in snatching rebounds and keeping their team in possession of the ball.

Inadequate Practice Sessions Handicap

On the basis of comparative records, Middlebury will enter the fray Tuesday evening installed in the familiar underdog role. However, statistics have proven misleading in other contests where the difference in talent was even more pronounced. The biggest handicap Middlebury has had to cope with throughout the whole season has been its inability to secure adequate practice sessions. The use of the college and high school gyms for college and community activities has made the arranging of a definite practice schedule difficult if not impossible. During the past week, this condition has been remedied to a degree. With more frequent practice sessions behind them, the Panthers will undoubtedly show improvement over their St. Michael's performance when they entered the game after a forced layoff of seven days due to the inability to find an unoccupied floor on which to play.

In any event, two hotly contested games are in prospect with the Middmen striving hard to end the season as they began it, with a victory. On the other hand, Norwich will be fighting to balance early season defeats.

Mt. Club Awarded For Ski Promotion

The Mountain Club has announced that it has received from Colonial Airlines the diploma whose award was announced by Frank Elkins in his radio program the week following Carnival. The award was made to the club for its advancement of skiing through its Winter Carnival program, and its development of the Breadloaf Sno-Bowl.

The following inscription appears on the plaque: "Colonial Airlines in recognition of the outstanding contribution to Eastern Skiing made by the Middlebury Mountain Club take pleasure in awarding its weekly ski salute. In company with thousands of other members of the Eastern Skiing fraternity, Colonial Airlines takes this opportunity to extend its sincere thanks for your efforts to maintain the highest possible standards in this great sport."

Canadian Player Elected Captain

Kyle Prescott

Spring Track Attracts Many Team Try-outs

Last Monday the first meeting of candidates for the varsity field and track team was held in the trainer's room at McCullough Gymnasium. Among the forty men who reported to this meeting were some of the members of this past season's cross-country squad, the mile relay team, and many tracksters who in previous years had been on one or more of Coach Brown's varsity track squads.

Coach Art Brown was pleased with the large turnout and he expressed the belief that there were probably many, many men who had been unable to attend this meeting, and who would turn out for practice sometime during the week. He asked those who were present to pass the word along to anyone expecting to go out for the squad to see Miss Turner in the office on the gym stage, leaving with her their names and the events in which they wish to compete.

Practice Based on Leaders

Reminding the candidates that there were only 33 days of practice remaining before the spring recess, Coach Brown then told them that practice would be based on a system of leaders. Every man will be placed in a group according to the event in which he wishes to compete. The leaders who are to take charge of the practice drills of their respective groups are Art Buettner, sprints; Roy Kinsey, hurdles; Dave Stebbins, middle-distance; Bob Mason, distance; Dixon Hemphill, pole vault; Hal Parker, high jump; Don Gilmore, broad jump; Gordon Cook, hammer; Bob Reed, javelin; and Marty Wittlin, shot and discuss. Each group will hold practice at least two days a week on the board track, using the remaining four days for cross country work and various calisthenic drills. The coach stated that he would like to see all of the candidates in top condition by April 4.

This season's field and track team, which is being co-captained by Dave Stebbins and Don Gilmore, will compete in the following meets: On Saturday, April 19, a trial meet will be held at Middlebury to determine which men will make up the varsity squad. On April 26, the Midd tracksters will meet Williams at Williamstown. At Lewiston, on May 3, they will compete against Bates and Colby. On May 10, Middlebury will play host to the Hamilton tracksters. On May 17, the team will travel to Worcester to take part in the E.I.C.A.A. meet. On May 24, the team will carry Midd's colors in Hartford to compete against Trinity. The final track meet on the schedule will be held at Burlington, the Panther tracksters competing against U.V.M.

Track Schedule

April
19 Trials (here).
26 Williams (Williamstown).
May
3 Tri-Meet—Bates, Colby, Midd. (Lewiston).
10 Hamilton (here).
17 E.I.C.A.A. Meet (Worcester).
24 Trinity (Hartford, Conn.).
31 Vermont (Burlington).

Middlebury Skiers Sweep Two State Championships

Henderson Tops Field at Lebanon

The Panther ski team had little trouble winning the state championships in Vermont and New Hampshire during the past two weeks. After the Dartmouth carnival the Midd skiers swept the field at the Lebanon Outing Club by virtue of some stellar performances by Don Henderson, Jack Valentine and Phil Deane. This past weekend the Panthers, minus the three big guns, captured the Norwich meet with plenty to spare. With Vermont and Norwich pitting their best against a Middlebury group of comparative newcomers, the Panthers proved themselves winners regardless of the fact they were short handed. This weekend it's up to McGill for the I.S.U. meet.

Henderson Wins N. H. Combined

Two weeks ago, while competing for the New Hampshire state title, the Midd riders ran wild over all opposition. Phil Deane won the cross-country with ease while Don Henderson and Jack Valentine had little difficulty in finishing near the top. Deane fell on the jump but Henderson, as usual, came through with some wonderful leaps to clinch the event. Valentine gained a second in the jump and a second in the combined events. Don Henderson, living up to his reputation, won the combined and copped all honors for individual performance. The combined Midd score was a good country mile above anything in New Hampshire. However, the boys were competing for individual honors and team score was not considered. Had the locals been competing for a team score the total would have been of unheard of proportions.

The Vermont title proved to be a very small obstacle for one Mr. Paul Kailey of Berlin, N. H. Kailey won everything in sight but the snow sculptor last Saturday at Norwich. The meet was limited to three events with no jumping. Had there been jumping it would have made little difference as Kailey is more at home on the slide than in the other events. As an individual performance Kailey was unequalled in the history of a Norwich carnival. His work was an important factor in the combined team score and enabled the Panthers to walk off with all honors.

Kailey Takes Downhill-Slalom

A unique method of running the downhill-slalom was instituted Saturday when the two were combined into one run. The downhill was staked out in a wooded area and as soon as the skiers broke into open slope territory the flags indicated the slalom course. This factor made little difference to Kailey who negotiated the fairly difficult course in 1:46.3 to win the event. John McNanama of UVM, a pretty good skier in his own right, was second with 1:50.7. Billy Stearns of Middlebury and a newcomer to competition, gained a well deserved fourth with 1:51.9. Fred Newburger of the Panthers followed with a fifth place and Doc Drohat made it an eight to give the Midd riders a team score of 99.3 as compared to the Norwich total of 91.5. Vermont was third with an 89.2. Coach Bob Sheehan, with his new hat, ran the course in 1:48 and was soundly razzed for having been paced by his disciple.

Kailey was again victorious in the six mile cross-country with the clock showing 39.06. He was followed by Stearns of UVM who made it in 40.25. The neatest trick of the week was engineered when Jim Newman, the Midd running sensation, donned a pair of skis and finished third in the event. This was Jim's third time on cross-country skis which makes the feat all the more remarkable. The Midd skier lost the way for a minute or so and this factor cut down his time considerably. But for this unfortunate incident Newman might well have won the event. Billy Stearns picked up a seventh spot in the event to give Midd the team high with 94.3. Vermont gained a second place and Norwich third spot.

The team totals found the Panthers with 193.6 and Norwich was second with 181.9. The University of Vermont was a very close third with 181.4. The Panther team included Dick Westin who ran

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Juniors Shaded By Senior Team In WAA League

Playing the best basketball of their four years at Midd, the senior A league team outplayed and outscored the junior sextet to register a 28-18 win in the first W.A.A. basketball game of the 1947 season on February 24. On the same bill, a fast, aggressive sophomore team smothered the unseasoned freshman contingent, 32-4.

The first period of the junior-senior game, play was fast, but the forward showed sloppy passing and inaccurate shooting. Due to the effective zoning system used by the senior guards, the score at half-time was a 9-0 lead in favor of that team. During the first quarter of the second period, the junior team came back to life, and with a quick succession of baskets, it looked as if they would climb back in the race. However, the final quarter saw the senior team increase their lead until the final score showed a 10-point margin.

Fast Passing Featured

The passing was fast throughout the game, too fast sometimes, but nevertheless it made an exciting game in which the baskets were few and far between. Both teams played a fairly open game, so teamwork was the deciding factor. Alice Neef as guard and Jean Gunther as forward took the honors for the seniors, while Doris Maurer excelled for the juniors.

In the second game, sophomores vs. freshmen, the newcomers found themselves up against a fast, well-seasoned team. Their passing, guarding, and shooting was consistent, and it was a great disadvantage for the freshman team in its debut to face a team like this. Pat Perkins and Connie Kelly excelled as forwards for the sophomores, while the guards in general were all indispensable for feeding the ball to the forwards. For the freshmen, although no player had much of a chance to show her skill, Lois Rapp, forward and Sally Peek, guard, were among the more experienced players. The resulting score, 32-4, does injustice to the potential skill of the freshmen.

Juniors Triumph in B Tourney

In the first game of the B tournament played earlier in the week, the freshman team No. 7 was beaten by the junior team No. 2 by a score of 12-7. This game was not well played by either side. The passing and shooting were messy, the teams being evenly matched in this respect, although as the score shows, the juniors were better organized and surer of themselves. The second game on this afternoon, freshman team No. 6 vs. junior team No. 3, found the freshmen on the winning side with a margin of 31-12. The juniors lacked good guards and as a result, the playing took place beneath the basket of the freshman team a majority of the time. Virginia Hardy as forward and Nancy Vogt as guard were the outstanding players for the freshmen, while Helen Harvan was the high scorer for the juniors.

Tuesday, February 25, saw two powerful sophomore teams, No. 5 and No. 4, vying for superiority. Team No. 5 came out on top to the tune of 23-16.

Among the outstanding players on the winning side were Jean Retallic, Elaine Arrington and Anita Liptak, with Peggy Drysdale and Madge Prentice taking the scoring honors for the opposing team No. 4.

Those interested in watching girls' basketball can boost the morale of their class team by rooting from the sidelines. The games are fast and interesting to watch and promise to be more interesting as the season progresses.

Midd Crowds View Change; Men Take Majority With 633

Mary E. Hemeon '49

Chapel spire, traffic jams on Hillcrest Road, crowds on campus, men and women everywhere (even to the 500 skiing down Chapel Hill); such is the nature of the kaleidoscopic view the incoming freshman gets upon a first glimpse of Middlebury.

But things have not always been so at the College in the middle of the Green Mountains. Even Middlebury's pride, old Gamaliel, would need the support of his famous cane if he could see the changes which have been wrought. What would he think if he could see the senior section filing into Chapel, each woman carrying a replica of his Midd-renowned walking stick?

But the Middlebury woman did not immediately appear on campus with her copy of Gamaliel's coveted cane. 1802 was a great year in the history of the College for on August 18 of that year the first student was graduated, but none of these seniors were yet in skirts. Women of Middlebury may prick up their ears when they hear the date, 1886, for at this commencement the first woman received a B.A. degree from Middlebury. Back in those days she probably went through the third degree before she received her B.A. degree and some factions even suggested that the detters B.A. signify Better-At-home-in-the-kitchen but the point is that she got her grades and made the grade. From that year on the woman has been in there pitching.

The battle began in 1833 when six women were allowed to join the 37 men registered in that year for the purpose of higher education. But in 1837 three of these women must have forsaken higher education for some other field of interest because although the male enrollment had increased to 60 there were but three women left at Middlebury pursuing their studies. (Yes, studies.)

By 1893 the race was on in earnest. Registration crossed the 100 mark and one-third of the college enrollment were women. The women were back with their noses in the books, even if their eyes were occasionally elsewhere.

A backward glimpse at the turn of the century has shown that during the previous 17 years the women's turn of mind had persuaded a total of 375 women to descend upon Middlebury for the improvement of their minds.

By 1910 the men were just able to nose out the women. Men were the dominant factor by a mere margin of 14 in the year 1911. As enrollment increased the number of women did likewise and when the 200 mark was passed three quarters of the Middleburyites were women.

World War I left 282 people on the campus and the females predominated, that is, twenty of them did. (No one is sure exactly which twenty.) Registration in 1920-21 broke another record as the enrollment reached 447, and then in 1923 the 500 mark.

But now the Middlebury woman was ready for her independence. When the class of '35 entered these portals in 1931 the women registered separately in the women's college at Middlebury. From that day forward all women have been enrolled in the women's college. (An amazing statement but it's true.) In 1937 an event occurred which only shows what a difference a word makes; for in that year the trustees decided to rename the women's part of the college by changing the "at" in the title to "of." Thus the Women's College "at" Middlebury became the Women's College "of" Middlebury and the Middlebury woman made her true debut as an integral part in the college system, a true spoke(swoman) in the Middlebury wheel of progress.

Depressions being what they are, the student body stopped expanding for a ten-year period. In September, 1936, however, more than 700 students reported for classes and in 1941 the total was 815. World War II dropped registration to 788 and in the ensuing period the Middlebury woman was almost sorry she had fought so hard for supremacy because despite the total drop in the enrollment, the women's side of the campus recorded a definitely predominant population.

Today's students view the teeming masses which issue from classes as the present enrollment totals 1,156 of which 633 are men and 523 are women. Things are back to normal again (if this kind of equality presupposes normality, that is).

Much has happened since Gamaliel Painter "left it all by will to the college on the hill."

"So let every son of Midd strive to do as Painter did"; so goes the third verse of the college song. But since 1883 Gamaliel's will has had its daughters to cope with as well. The "rap, rap, rap" and the "tap, tap, tap" of his walking stick is now accompanied by the clicking of the Middlebury women's heels. Yes, they have even taken his cane.

Dr. Feliks Gross Discusses Politics In Eastern Europs

Dr. Feliks Gross, professor of political science and director of the Institute of International Affairs at the University of Wyoming and visiting professor in the graduate school of New York University, spoke in Munroe 303 on Tuesday afternoon, February 25, at 1.30 upon the topic of international politics in eastern Europe.

Having worked for the post-war organization of a close eastern European federation, Doctor Gross, a frequent Polish delegate to international conferences, emphasized the necessity of the formation of such a corporation by the small nations of eastern Europe including Poland, Greece, Rumania, Yugoslavia, and Czechoslovakia if they are to survive and develop.

Ideal would be the establishment of a good neighbor policy in eastern Europe. As the South American nations have progressed under the protection of the United States' power, so these small nations could prosper under the uninterfering protec-

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Famous Budapest Quartet To Return

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pre-eminence, at the same time attaining a previously unprecedented degree of excellence in their actual performance.

In newspapers all over the United States, *The New York Times, The Philadelphia Evening Bulletin, The Boston Herald, The Chicago Sun*, the Budapest String Quartet has been hailed with such phrases as "offered superlative performances," "synonym for perfection," "hardly conceivable to find a single flaw," "the very model of everything that is excellent in ensemble music."

It is especially worthy to note that the Quartet has been engaged in the Library of Congress, Washington, D. C., internationally known and recognized center for chamber music.

Rafuse Speaks

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power they hold, and therefore do not use it effectively." Warning against power built upon wealth or a minority's willingness "to pursue its interest through the unprincipled use of force," Professor Rafuse said that, "If the people are to use that power wisely they must know the truth....For all truth comes out of the competition of ideas, and that competition must be free."

In speaking of democracy's part in making man responsible for his own destiny Professor Rafuse added, "To the extent that man accepts that responsibility, he develops in himself initiative and resourcefulness....The Good Society is not only something to be achieved by the democratic process, the Good Society is being achieved in the democratic process. The sole danger of failure lies in failure of the will."

Opinions Of The Week

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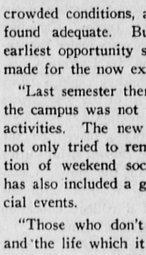
E. Standish

"To say that the social activities of Middlebury are inadequate is unjustified in the overall picture. To appreciate this college to the fullest extent, the student should enjoy the type of social life which one finds outdoors. Any student who is looking for a cosmopolitan social life cannot and should not expect to find it in Middlebury.



"However I do feel that improvement in social activity on the campus can be made. First of all, I think everyone realizes the dire necessity for a lodge where students can meet at any time of day. With limited facilities because of overcrowded conditions, a place has not been found adequate. But at the first and earliest opportunity some place should be made for the now extinct lodge.

"Last semester there was a feeling that the campus was not unified enough in its activities. The new social calendar has not only tried to remedy this diversification of weekend social functions, but it has also included a greater variety of social events.

"Those who don't enjoy the outdoors and the life which it offers, may feel the need of more activities, but for those who utilize and are aware of the type of social life present outdoors, it seems hard to believe that there is any inadequacy of social life."

Culture Theme

This year, unlike last, all panels will be on one main topic which will be "Responsibilities of World Harmony." This system is thought to give the conference a more unified aspect, though the topic is broad enough to allow for diversity of opinion.

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Regional W.S.G.A. Conference To Be Held At Middlebury

The annual regional conference of the W. S. G. A. for the northeastern area will be held in Middlebury on April 26, 27, announced Virginia M. Hodder '47, President of the Student Union here.

Middlebury Student Union will become hostesses to students from other co-educational colleges and universities who meet annually to discuss the objectives and common problems of student government on their respective campuses. Guests will include students from Rhode Island State College, Bates College, Massachusetts State College, Colby College, University of Vermont, University of Connecticut, University of New Hampshire, and the University of Maine.

The need for such regional conferences came out of the realization that student governments as a whole are faced with the same general problems, and it is hoped that these meetings each year will find through discussions possible solutions.

Last year's annual conference was held in Kingston, R. I., at Rhode Island State College, and was attended by Barbara L. Grigg, then President of the Middlebury Student Union, and Alice S. Thorn, the last Chief Justice. Questions concerning Freshman Orientation, Relationship of Student Government to the Administration and the other student governing bodies, building higher standards of conduct for campus life and developing the concept of individual and group honor were discussed. These discussions were felt to be broad enough to be of help to all who attended, and so the idea of continuing these general discussion groups was continued.

Since the theme of last year's conference was "The Woman's Place in the Post-War World," Mary A. Beard wife of the well-known historian Charles A. Beard, was an appropriate speaker. The executive committee, which is working on plans for the conference to be held here at Middlebury, hopes to be able to obtain an equally fine speaker who will be of interest to all who will attend.

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Dr. Feliks Gross Discusses Politics In Eastern Europe

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tion of Russia, whose friendliness is vital, especially since the loss of the western powers' expected support. At present the small nations have no other course than to accede to Russia's policies, but they do not want to acquire the enmity of Great Britain, France and the United States.

For the fact that the Soviet Union does hold dominance in eastern Europe at this time, Doctor Gross does not reprove the western nations. In the second World War, when the decision was made for an offensive through Italy, eastern Europe was inevitably left to the military power of Russia. Doctor Gross insisted that eventually Russian power should be withprosper under the uninterfering protection of Russia, whose friendliness is vital, especially since the loss of the western powers' expected support. At present the small nations have no other course drawn from eastern Europe as it dominates and interferes with the small nations' governments.

The advocated federation of these governments would be economic in character. Patterned after an earlier unsuccessful proposition by Czechoslovakia's formerid Pres. Thomas Masyrck for a mutually beneficial alliance of the autonomous small nations created after W. W. I., this federation would not, however, be formed as a military block against Russia, but as a "pillar of peace." The central body of the organization would hold the balance of power over the sovereign national entities, but there would be no attempt to enforce a system of cultural conformity. Doctor Gross presented his idea of democracy as the toleration of the differences in one's neighbors.

The speaker also proposed the use of our international machinery, not physical force, as the only means with which to settle the border disputes and minority problems prevalent in eastern Europe today. Advocating the establishment of a Border Commission within the United Nations organization which would legally plan according to plebiscites the political divisions traditionally drawn by superior might, yet Doctor Gross qualified this by proposing the people's decisions be limited by the good they contained for the collective security of all the eastern European nations.

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Training Offered By Marine Corps

Marine 1st Lt. William D. Pomeroy, speaking in the interest of office procurement for Marine Platoon Leaders Classes will speak to eligible freshmen, sophomore, and junior men on March 17 to the 19.

Selected students may be enlisted into the Marine Corps Reserve on inactive duty. They will be subject to call only during a state of national emergency. Training will be given at one or two six week periods of summer military service at the Marine Corps School in Quantico, Virginia. Freshmen and sophomore trainees will attend two sessions while juniors, who must be World War II veterans, need only attend the advanced period.

In the primary period, students are Marine corporals and are salaried at $90 a month. During the second session they are sergeants and receive $100 a month. After successful graduation, trainees are eligible for appointment to the commissioned ranks of second Lieutenants in the Marine Corps Reserve.

Requirements stipulate that the students must be between the ages of 17 and 25, must be unmarried and must remain unmarried during training and must be exempt from involuntary induction under the Selective Service system. They may not be a member of any military organization except the Naval Militia and must be physically fit.

Panthers Take State Ski Titles

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the cross-country and Bill Wallace who completed the winning Middlebury team. Although the meet was rather unimportant as far as big name competitors are concerned, the Panthers did themselves and Bob Sheehan proud.

Had Don Henderson, Valentine and Dean been included in the meet, the score would undoubtedly been a lopsided affair. The Panther stars were to go to Canada for the Canadian Nationals but due to the fact that the signals were crossed somewhere in the entry stage the boys didn't go.

Next week the entire Panther team will compete in the I.S.U. meet at McGill. This is the most important meet of the year. The team that comes out on top is considered the best intercollegiate ski team in the country. With such a goal to aim at, the field will be plenty strong, with the best teams in the East having already been accepted. The Panthers are hoping for the breaks which so far have been slow in coming their way.

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Educational Policy Committee Meets With Ten Students

The Educational Policy Committee, headed by Stephen A. Freeman and composed of twelve members of the faculty, recently invited five men and five women undergraduates to be present at a regular committee meeting.

The students, who were representative of the student body, were proposed by the Dean of Men and the Dean of Women to offer the opinions of the undergraduates. The committee whose objective is to obtain an adequate preparation for a vocation through a liberal arts program, felt that the presence of representative students at the meeting would afford both groups an opportunity to air their views.

Problems on curricular guidance, veterans and a discussion of the aims and purposes of general courses were discussed at the current meeting. It is felt by the committee that this first trial meeting was very successful and the ten invited students have already been reinvited for the next meeting. A major issue to be discussed at that time will be the departmental quality of instruction at Midd. The interval between these combined meetings and the students to be invited has not been decided by the committee although it is felt that the same group of students will not be consistently asked to be present, but rather that a larger and more varied representation of the college be allowed to speak.

WAA TO SPONSOR PROGRAM, MAR. 29

At a W. A. A. Council meeting on Wednesday, February 19, at 4.00 p.m., the Council made plans for the annual posture contest as well as a bridge and fashion show.

March 29 is the date selected for the combined presentation of these three events. It is now planned to present the fashion show, with the clothes modeled by the finalists in the posture contest, during the bridge. In previous years candidates for the posture contest have been suggested and elected by the student body of the college, and some similar process will be used this year.

Margaret A. Teachout '50, has recently been elected the new freshman representative to the W. A. A. Council

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Truman's Order To Have No Effect On Veterans' Bill

The recent proclamation by President Truman of the cessation of hostilities of World War II has no effect on most laws enacted by Congress for the veterans of this war, according to the Veterans Administration.

Foremost among these laws are the Serviceman's Readjustment Act (G.I. Bill) for able veterans and the Vocational Rehabilitation Act for disabled veterans. The Veterans Administration held that the date of the official termination of the war is the determining factor in establishing the deadline for education, loan and readjustment allowance provisions of the G.I. Bill.

Disabled veterans face no specific deadline, but must complete their training within nine years after the end of the war, and education of on-the-job training may be started up to four years after the end of the war under the G.I. Bill.

Social Calendar

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10 Scullions' Ball.
Alpha Sigma Phi informal dance.
Delta Upsilon hayride.
Theta Chi informal dance.
9-10 I. O. C. A. Conference.
16 Junior Prom.
17 Sigma Alpha informal dance.
Alpha Sigma Phi Novelty party.
Delta Upsilon informal dance.
Theta Chi informal dance.
18 Step Singing.
24 Sigma Alpha informal dance.
Alpha Sigma Phi informal dance.
Delta Upsilon formal dance.
Theta Chi formal dance.
31 Sigma Alpha picnic.
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13 Senior Ball.
15-16 Commencement.

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THURS.-FRI. FEB. 27-28
Lawrence Tierney
in
"SAN QUENTIN"
Sportscope: BOWLING FEVER
Comedy: MOTOR MANIACS

SATURDAY MARCH 1
Charles Starrett—Smiley Burnette
in
"LAND RUSH"
plus
"BEYOND BENGAL"
Cartoon: "RIVER RIBBER"
Chapt. 12 HOP HARRIGAN

SUN.-MON. MARCH 2-3
YOU are socked by a murder suspect . . .
YOU meet a sultry blonde . . . and
YOU face a fear-maddened killer!!
YOU and Robert Montgomery Solve A Great Mystery Together
"LADY IN THE LAKE"
with
Audrey Totter—Lloyd Nolan
Cartoon: UNSURE-RUNTS—NEWS

TUES.-WED.-THURS.
MARCH 4-5-6
Bing Crosby
in
"BLUE SKIES"
with
Fred Astaire and Joan Caulfield
In technicolor
NEWS

Student Traces Skiing Development At Middlebury College Since 1923

Jerry Elbers '49

The extent of the ski craze that has been sweeping the country may be readily seen by even the most casual glance at any newspaper's headlines. One learns, for instance, that at a certain renowned institution of higher learning it is not unusual to find the students skiing to and from classes nor to see the president leading the student body down the hill fronting the chapel at mad pace—all on skis.

However, when one looks back through the annals of our alma mater there is much proof that this new found love for "shussing" began when most of us were nipping at the bottle, way back in 1923 when the first class meets began. The Chipman Hill trail was the scene of cross-country and downhill skiing. The start of organized competition came in 1926 with Coach Arthur M. Brown in charge of a small squad. It was nearly a draw between the skiers and the coach as to who knew less about the sport. In fact Midd withdrew from the 1926 Intercollegiate meet after being neatly clipped. However, in 1927 they took third place in this meet and in 1928 participated in five meets, seven in 1933, nine in 1934 and reached a peak in 1936 with eleven meets.

Midd Teams Gain Limelight

In the winter of 1935 things really began to move in the quiet winter world of this college. Dick Hubbard, former crack Midd skier took charge of the team. Hade's Freight, a lightning fast trail four-tenths of a mile long was built as a suitable companion to its slippery predecessor of the year before—Hade's Express. In 1934 the first ski jump was built which was to last exactly two years, a new and improved jump later being built in '36 by the College. From this year on Middlebury teams came into the limelight as the ski fever gripped the country and the campus.

Middlebury has come a long way since the snowshoe races of '23. The development of the Ski Bowl on Breadloaf, a Ski School and a Winter Carnival of great renown all have made skiing Midd's major sport.

Some of the novices, however, have not been of any great aid in adding zest to the desire of those who have yet to take the great plunge. Sunday chapel is the most opportune time to view the several skiers bedecked with crutches, canes and knee and ankle supports to indicate the awful facts. Such individuals as Doug Christie, Tony Fraioli and Ann Saurman are but a few who forgot to uncross their skis. In fact one of the experts on campus put in an appearance after one of those weekends on which he practiced a jump-turn off an ice box and since that time has been quite conspicuous with his fur-collared top coat and sporty cane which adds considerable "distinguishment" and, needless to say, moral support for all beginners.

Sigma Phi Epsilon, Theta Chi Initiate New Men; Formal Banquets Given

Formal initiation for Sigma Phi Epsilon pledges took place Sunday, February 23, at the chapter house. Monday evening a banquet for the initiates was held at which Prof. Waldo Heinrichs, the pre-war faculty advisor to this fraternity, gave the banquet address. Professor Heinrichs noted the extreme importance of our college years, years which will one day seem as fleeting moments holding opportunities either beneficially gained or irrevocably lost.

Sig Ep Initiates

William V. Boyd '48, Robert S. Dustin '48, Robert W. Todd '48, Howard D. Boone '49, William H. Goldthwaite '49, John H. Howard '49, Frederick J. McGary '49, Charles W. Pierce '49, Robert H. Shahan '49, Donald B. Simon '49, Albert T. Butterfield '50, Charles L. Cole '50, Vincent J. Corbisiero '50, Curtis Cushman '50, Allan Dragone '50, Homer B. Ellis, Jr. '50, Warren L. Frost '50, Bruce B. Guillan '50, Bard E. Lindeman '50, James B. Luke '50, Victor S. Luke '50, William J. McNamara '50, Cornelius I. Meeker '50, John E. Mulcahy '50, William L. Stearns, Jr. '50, and John D. Truesdale '50.

Theta Chi

Theta Chi's initiation banquet took place on February 23 at which Dean W. Storrs Lee was the banquet speaker. Dean Lee expressed his confidence in fraternities which had done much to solve college social, academic and physical problems.

The Theta Chi pledges who were initiated are:

Theta Chi

George F. Ellison—Term 1
Niels H. Fischer—Term 3
Joseph P. Hall—Term 4
Jack F. Kofoed—Term 5
Ralph W. Larson—Term 2
Lawrence M. Smith—Term 5
Daniel W. Whitfield—Term 1

W. Storrs Lee Denies Failures Were Arranged

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not passing in at least 80 per cent, and receiving grades of 70 or above in 60 per cent of their credits. Clarifying the probationary status the Dean said that a student on probation may have no unexcused cuts; that he must consult with his faculty advisor at frequent intervals during the semester; that his marks during the coming semester must be at least of C grade except for one subject which may not be lower than a D.

At any time during the semester a student on probation may be requested to withdraw if his scholarship is not improving. Veterans on probation are required to make an appointment with the Veterans Administration for advisement.

Dean Lee emphasized that men on probation are not restricted from participating in extra-curricular activities but are restricted to participation in those activities which do not involve absences from class or interruption with study time. Dean Lee further stated that "Participation in athletics involving normal exercise is encouraged."

STUDENTS INVITED TO CAMP MEETING

The American Camping Association had invited students and staff members of Middlebury College who are interested in camp work to attend the Northeast Convention to be held March 13, 14, and 15 at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York city.

The program will include exhibits, addresses, and discussions on the theme of "Guideposts to Good Camping." A special program has been planned for Saturday, March 15, of particular interest to college students.

Seventeen dollars and fifty cents covers expenses of members of the association for the entire conference and $19.50 for non-members. Details of registration, program, and fees may be secured from Dean Woodward's office.

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Students To Give Skits On March 2

Free entertainment, sponsored by the Players, will be held at 8.00 p.m., March 2 in the playhouse.

Students of Mr. Volkert's class in acting and directing will present scenes from certain plays which they gave last semester as their term projects. All students are cordially invited to attend these dramatic presentations.

This term, members of the class will be directing one act plays, and the casts will be chosen from those students who wish to try out, preferably freshmen and sophomores.

Players will publish in the Campus reviews of current plays in the professional theatre in order that students may choose which currently popular shows they would enjoy during vacation.

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